(f) have the owners been paid for the lands upon which works have been done so far;

(g) did the department get possession of the lands before payment ?

Mr. M. D. Narayana Ayyar.—(a) No.

(b) Lands could not be acquired in that year.

(c) Yes.

(d) About two furlongs in paramba portion.

(e) Earthwork, drainage work and metal collection.

(f) No.

(g) The parambaportion was taken charge of as the parties had surrendered same to the Revenue Department on kychit.

Permanent vacancies not filled up in the P. W. Department.

363. Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) whether any permanent vacancy is left vacant in P. W. D;

(b) if they have, which are the posts ; why are they left vacant ?

Mr. M. D. Narayana Ayyar.—(a) Yes.

(b) (1) Draftsman, Central Division.

(2) Water Works Overseer.

On account of exigencies of service these posts have not been permanently filled.

Expenditure—Irrigation.

364. Mr. K. T. Mathew.—Will the Government be pleased to inform:—

(a) the amount annually provided for irrigation in the last 8 years' budgets ;

(b) the amount lapsed annually in the aforesaid period ;

(c) the items of irrigation work carried out annually in the last 8 years and the amount spent in the case of each item of work ;

(d) whether any of the above works was washed off or damaged by floods soon after the construction;

(e) whether washed off or damaged works have been satisfactorily repaired and restored to the condition in which they were before being washed off or damaged ;

(f) the dates of completion of such works as also the dates when they were washed off or damaged ?

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Mr. M. D. Narayana Ayyar.—(a) and (b) A statement is appended (*Appendix XIX.*)

(c) Vide list placed on Council table.

(d) Yes. The aqueduct at Aloor was damaged.

(e) The aqueduct was restored for satisfactory working.

(f) The aqueduct was completed in the latter part of 1106 and was damaged on 29th Karkadagam 1106.

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